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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS, WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1976

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE
PRINCIPALS. M AND C DID NOT SUBMIT.

FROM CHARLES W. ROBINSON

I HELD A MEETING THIS MORNING WITH SELECTED CONGRESSIONAL
STAFFERS TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR CONCERNS
AND TO ACQUAINT THEM WITH OUR PERCEPTIONS AND GOALS IN
NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC RELATIONS. OUR FOCUS, AT THEIR
REQUEST, WAS ON WHAT THE CONGRESS COULD DO TO BE SUPPOR-
TIVE OF THE PROGRESSIVE NORTH-SOUTH STANCE BEING LED
BY YOU AND THE DEPARTMENT. IN THIS CONTEXT WE DISCUSSED,
AMONG OTHERS, THE COFFEE AND TIN AGREEMENTS, IFAD,
THE OECD FINANCIAL SUPPORT FUND, GSP FOR NON-EMBARGOING
OPEC COUNTRIES, DELETION OF ITEMS FROM THE GSP LIST,
OTHER MTN ISSUES SUCH AS TARIFF ESCALATION, AND THE
IDA REPLENISHMENT. THE ATMOSPHERE WAS GOOD AND I BELIEVE

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THE MEETING WAS HELPFUL IN FOCUSING THE CONGRESS ON

WHAT THEIR SPECIFIC ROLE CAN BE IN HELPING ACHIEVE OUR OBJECTIVES IN THE NORTH-SOUTH AREA.

MET WITH AMBASSADOR JAMES HARGROVE (AUSTRALIA) TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE ANZUS MEETING. HE BELIEVES THAT ARRANGEMENTS ARE WELL IN HAND AND THAT THIS SHOULD PROVE TO BE AN IMPORTANT SESSION REAFFIRMING THE MUTUALITY OF OUR STRATEGIC INTERESTS IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD.

I HAD LUNCH WITH BOB HORMATS, RUD POATS AND DENNIS WOOD TO DISCUSS OUR ONGOING REVIEW OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE POLICIES TO BRING THEM INTO HARMONY WITH THE CHANGES IN NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS.

MET WITH JOE GREENWALD TO DISCUSS ORGANIZATIONAL QUESTIONS IN EB.

ALSO DURING THE DAY: CHAIRED SMALL GROUP MEETING; MET WITH ROGERS ET AL ON SPECIAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR SUDAN AND WITH CHUCK FRANK ON IRB DEVELOPMENT PLANS.

FROM HABIB

I APPEARED BEFORE THE MONTGOMERY COMMITTEE ON MISSING PERSONS IN INDOCHINA THIS MORNING. THE SESSION GENERALLY WENT VERY WELL AND WAS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO GET OUR VIEWS ON THE RECORD.

FROM E - WILLIAM D. ROGERS

AMAICA AND THE ALUMINUM COMPANIES -- I HAVE BEEN MEETING FOR THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS, SEPARATELY, WITH THE ALUMINUM COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN JAMAICA. ALL -- EXCEPT REVERE, WHICH IS HAVING A REAL SHOOT OUT WITH THE GOJ IN THE COURTS -- SEEM TO THINK THEY ARE CLOSE TO SUCCEEDING IN THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT. THEY ARE ALL FAIRLY CONTENT, FURTHERMORE, WITH THE LEVEL OF THE LEVY. NONE OF THEM WANT US TO WEIGH IN AT THIS STAGE ON THEIR BUSINESS RELATIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY ALL THINK THE COUNTRY IS GOING TO HELL IN A HANDBASKET.

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MANLEY IS SUPRESSING THE OPPOSITION; CAN'T GOVERN; AND IS DRIVING HIS COUNTRY INTO BANKRUPTCY. SOME URGE US TO MAKE AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE OUR RELATIONS; SOME SAY IT WON'T HELP MUCH. WE'LL HAVE SOME FURTHER REFLECTIONS TO YOU ON POLICY FOR JAMAICA SHORTLY.

STEVE ROSENFELD -- I HAD LUNCH WITH HIM. HE THINKS THE PRESIDENT SHOULD ACT PRESIDENTIALLY BETWEEN NOW AND

JANUARY, COME WHAT MAY. THIS MEANS A NEW SALT, AND A PANAMA TREATY. HE IS BEHIND THE CURVE ON OUR EFFORTS IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE. MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION. BE CONCILIATORY, BUT DON'T CAVE IN JUST BECAUSE THE 77 THREATEN TO HOLD THEIR BREATHS UNTIL THEY TURN BLUE. I SUGGESTED THAT WAS PRETTY MUCH OUR VIEW TOO.

CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS -- I ALSO ATTENDED CHUCK'S BRIEFING.

DEUTSCH -- AND I MET WITH MIKE, TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE MIGHT PIGGYBACK ON HIS WORK FOR CRITICAL CHOICES.

FROM T - CARL MAW

AFTER CHUCK ROBINSON'S SMALL GROUP MEETING, I MET WITH VIN LEARSON AND REVIEWED THE DEEP SEABED ISSUES PAPER.

CHAIRING MY WEEKLY SECURITY ASSISTANCE STAFF MEETING (WHICH INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES OF H, L, PM AND D/HA). WE DISCUSSED THE PROPOSED FMS CREDIT PROGRAM FOR FY 1977, ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTER-AGENCY ARMS EXPORT CONTROL BOARD, THE DRAFT EXECUTIVE ORDER IMPLEMENTING THE 1976 ACT, AND THE DRAFT AGENTS FEES REGULATIONS (SEE BELOW).

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH LUIGI EINAUDI REGARDING CURRENT STATUS OF MARCONA NEGOTIATIONS. AMBASSADOR GARCIA-BEDOYA HAS REQUESTED THAT OUR PROPOSED MEETING FOR TODAY BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT WEDNESDAY, THEREBY GIVING DE LA PUENTE TIME TO REVIEW THE MATTER FULLY WITH THE NEW PRIME MINISTER.

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CONTINUED WORK ON DRAFT REGULATIONS WHICH, UNDER THE NEW INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND ARMS CONTROL ACT, YOU MUST PROMULGATE. THESE REGULATIONS RELATE TO REPORTING POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND AGENTS FEES IN CONNECTION WITH FOREIGN SALES OF DEFENSE ARTICLES AND SERVICES.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO YOU FOR DECISION A MEMORANDUM SETTING FORTH OPTIONS WITH REGARD TO RECOMMENDING TO THE PRESIDENT A PROGRAM FOR FMS CREDITS IN THE TRANSITION QUARTER. ROBINSON

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